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Situation Report - September 23, 2006 Morning

September 22, 2006 and continuing Severe Storms, Flooding events

The National Weather Services predicted a series of storms would sweep across Missouri on Friday, Sept 22, 2006 forming along the Highway 65 line and traveling East North-east. The storms caused damages in numerous counties including Phelps, Madison, Perry, St. Francois, Iron and Crawford. Overnight the storms dropped as much as 8 inches of rain in Southeast Missouri causing flash flooding in New Madrid, Ripley and Butler Counties. The NWS is predicting a cold front on Saturday morning Sept 23, 2006. Severe storms have the potential for reforming late Saturday afternoon and evening.

No fatalities and four injuries have been reported.

Severe Weather/Storm Damage Reports:

Phelps County: City of St. James over 200 buildings were affected – 95% of the homes with minor damages. The St. James Middle School had roof damages. Local officials reported several businesses also sustained damages. One person was reported injured. A shelter was established.

Madison County: Mine La Motte reported 50 buildings damaged, 1 person injured, and a shelter was set up in Fredericktown to accommodate 30 families.

Perry County: Local authorities closed access to Cross Town where 25 buildings were destroyed. Two people were injured. A shelter was established to accommodate 60 families.

St. Francois County: Officials reported one building destroyed

Iron County: Reported 12 buildings damaged including an apartment building.

Crawford County: Leesburg reported 12 buildings were damaged.

Reynolds County: Black reported 1 building destroyed.

Flooding Reports: Some counties in Southeast Missouri reported up to 8" of rain overnight.

New Madrid County: Lilbourn reported 12 homes flooded and local officials set up a shelter. Portageville is requesting pumps because of flooding.

Ripley County: Naylor evacuated a Senior Center with 20 people because of flooding. Doniphan reported 8 inches of rain.

Butler County: Neelyville reported flash flooding.

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Shelters: St. James, Fredericktown, Perry County, and New Madrid County.

SEOC has been activated at Level 1. SEMA staff is manning the SEOC and traveling to numerous locations working with local officials on damage assessments.

Volunteer Organizations: The American Red Cross is operating shelters and conducting damage assessments. AmeriCorps is providing assistance in Madison County.

Point of Contact:

SEMA Duty Officer after hours (Starting at 4:30 pm) number is 573-751-2748. During normal duty hour's calls should be made to 573-526-9100.

This Situation Report and other storm-related information maybe viewed at the following web address: http://sema.dps.mo.gov